

UNO On Way Downtown?

If the results of a study recently performed by the Omaha Jaycees and UNO are any indication, it looks as though a downtown move would have considerable community support. Preliminary analysis of the survey data shows a high degree of interest in the establishment of a downtown facility that would offer a variety of educational opportunities.

Figures released by Bart Votava, chairman of the Jaycees Riverfront Development Committee, reveal strong public demand for workshops and seminars, and college courses for credit, at a downtown facility.

The majority of persons surveyed expect to take evening classes, or to enroll in classes after the work day ends. Most are interested in courses designed to improve particular job skills, or to enrich cultural experiences.

"From survey data, it is apparent that a large number of new students would be attracted to educational opportunities offered by UNO if these opportunities were available in

the downtown area," Votava said. "A significant number of citizens are interested in taking advantage of the great educational resources offered by UNO, but have not done so, probably because convenience is a factor."

Last month the Jaycees surveyed employees in the downtown area to determine how many will use a downtown educational facility. Employees were asked to name academic areas they want to study, and about personal preferences regarding hours courses will be taken.

UNO first began exploring the possibility of a downtown educational facility as a result of

recommendations made by the Regents' Commission on the Urban University of the '70's. A downtown education center has been proposed as part of the Riverfront Development.

Votava said 60 Jaycees distributed survey forms to about 5,000 employees in the downtown area. He said 1,161 persons, or 23 per cent of those surveyed, actually returned completed forms in time for the preliminary tabulation of data, and he rated this participation "outstanding." Additional forms are being tabulated as they are returned.

Votava said a survey of employers is under way. In this survey, employers are being



TM — Gary Bodnar meditates on top of stone wall in the mall. See story on page 2.

asked about their expectations regarding the center.

Most survey respondents are professional-managerial personnel, 21 to 50 years old.

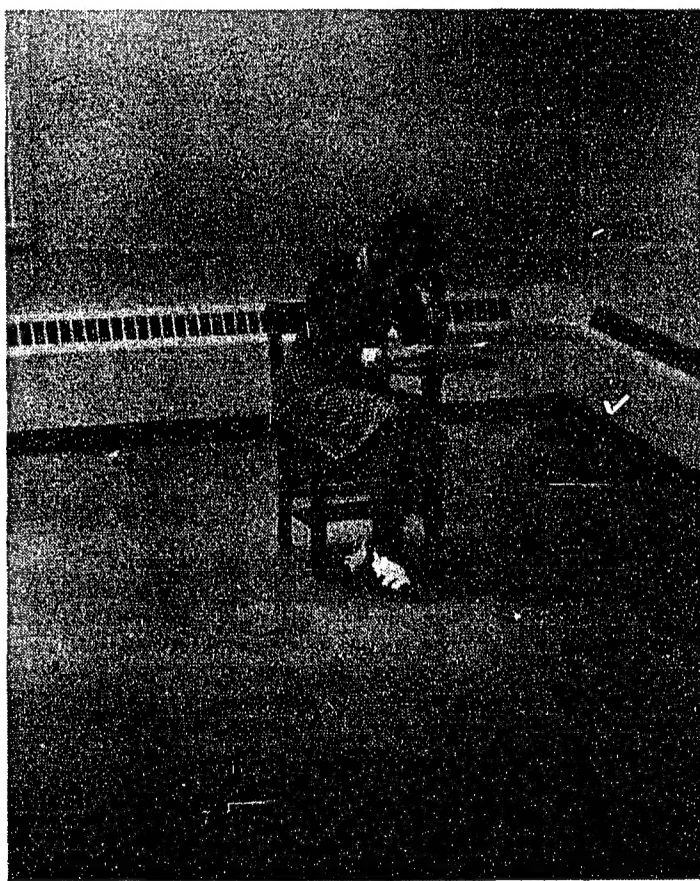
About half already have undergraduate or graduate college degrees. Only 15 per cent had attended UNO during the past year.

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In her new office — the Gateway's faithful secretary, Mrs. Mleches, looks thoroughly unhappy with the new facilities.

So Many Changes

By J. C. Casper

During the summer session the university has been conducting the most comprehensive new student orientation UNO has ever had. Not only is a student acquainted with how to get in and out of a class, but what classes are required to graduate. Another important facet of the program is a guided tour of the campus.

Due to recent developments this tour could be quite confusing. This is a result of a game of musical chairs the Director of Campus Development Rex Engebretsen has been playing. When the music stops . . .

The Department of Economics will be moved to the old music annex in back of the fieldhouse from the Engineering building.

The Journalism Department will be moved from two other parts of the Engineering building to the space occupied by the Economics Department.

The Physics Department will expand its space in the Engineering building and take the space vacated by the Journalism Department.

Campus Security will relocate from the white shack in back of the Administration building to its spacious new quarters in back of the Fieldhouse (the piano workshop).

The Gateway will move from the corner of the Engineering Building to a corner of the old Sara B. Joslyn Music annex. Could it be possible that a new student reports to the old security hut and finds out he has been awarded a scholarship? Another tries to turn in a letter to the editor and ends up a specimen in a physics lab? And last, but not least, the Gateway's secretary quits because she refuses to hike half a mile to the closest restroom?

Secret Meetings

By Lola Luna

Rumors were flying thick and fast that SPO was holding secret meetings. Some reported that Billy Preston was to be at UNO for Homecoming on October 12. Still others reported that Billy Graham was to be the star attraction.

And so this reporter (the star of the staff) was sent in search of the mysterious president of SPO, Dan Gleason.

A quick check of the Orientation Office where Dan is employed as a student orientation leader, revealed that he had not been seen there for some time. On to the bookstore, where Dan reportedly holds a menial position.

"Gleason?" said a checker. "I don't know if he showed up today or not."

"I think he showed up on time today," said another.

Gleason was found hiding behind a stack of books.

"You're hiding from the press," I accused.

"You're right," he agreed.

"We understand that SPO is holding secret meetings."

"Right again," he admitted.

"And am I correct in assuming that the secret meetings are held to prevent the students from participating in how their hard-earned student dollars will be spent?"

"The students here have no taste," said Gleason.

"I'm horrified, We'll print your comments. The power of the press . . . the students at UNO will be insulted."

"Nobody reads that rag," sneered Gleason.

Gleason did reveal that Billy Preston and the Weather Report had been decided on, due to the fact that nothing has been heard from Carole King. This plan was foiled by the fact that Preston decided to go on tour with the Stones. Now SPO is considering Judy Collins for the Homecoming concert on October 12. Buddy Miles will appear at an outdoor concert in September.

Honorary Degree to McGovern

The honorary doctor of science degree from the University of Nebraska at Omaha during the '73 summer commencement exercises will be received by a well known medical doctor and allergy specialist who has contributed much to the advancement of knowledge in his field, and to scholarly and professional organizations.

Dr. John P. McGovern, a faculty member and administrator at Baylor College of Medicine and the University of Texas Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences and also director of the McGovern Allergy Clinic in Houston, Texas, will be honored during UNO Commencement exercises Saturday, Aug. 18, at 9:30 a.m., in the UNO Fieldhouse.

The topic for the deliverer of the commencement address will be "On Day-Tight Compartments."

Dr. McGovern is co-author or editor of seven books, and the author or co-author of 131 articles published in major medical and scientific journals. His scholarly affiliations include Sigma Xi, which he serves as chairman of a four-state committee, a member of the board of directors, chairman of the nominating committee and member of the national committee on membership-at-large.

He received the Gold Medal Award "for meritorious and outstanding contributions in the field of pediatric allergy" at the XII International Congress of Pediatrics in 1968 in Mexico City, and was the recipient of the first Distinguished Award of Merit presented by the American College of Allergists for "extraordinary and meritorious



Dr. John P. McGovern

contributions in the field of allergy" at the 27th annual congress in San Francisco in 1970.

Dr. McGovern is director of the Allergy Research Laboratory, Department of Microbiology, at Baylor College of Medicine; professor and chairman, Department of the History of Medicine at the University of Texas Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, where he also is a member of the Committee on Graduate Studies; adjunct professor of allied health sciences at Kent State University; and consultant at the Texas Children's Hospital.

He has also held faculty appointments at Yale University School of Medicine, Duke University School of Medicine, George Washington University School of Medicine, and Tulane University School of Medicine.

His professional memberships include American Association for the Advancement of Science, American Academy of Allergy, Board of Regents of the National Library of Medicine in Washington, D.C., American College of Physicians and American School Health Association.

Dr. McGovern's B.S. and M.D. degrees are from Duke University. He also holds honorary doctoral degrees from Ricker College and Union College.

Letters

Beautiful *la Gateway* Editor at lovely UNO: Your heartfelt search is at last ended. I have left the wonderful city of Omaha and am on my way to find love and admiration in the big city. I will always be a simple country girl and it will be very easy for me to part with old and dear friends.

I had a simply marvelous time during my brief incarceration at

la Gateway, and, had my gorgeous and shapely figure not mysteriously turned to alcoholic fat, I might still be serving there in my role of moral vanguard.

As I understand, my dear old friend Lola is still present among the living at *la Gateway*. This fact surprises and delights me, as it is common knowledge that she is one of the world's top five reigning luses (of both the Jet Set and the Cafe Society). Press on.

MAMA

Space Offered For UNO Groups

By Ken Berger

The Organization Office in the student center provides all the office facilities any UNO organization might need. Individually locking, fire-proof file cabinets are available to protect any documents. Desks are provided. There are four typewriters in the room for any organizations' use. There is a telephone, and conference rooms are available for organization members to meet and talk. The office space is even carpeted to provide a comfortable atmosphere.

The only thing the organization office is missing is organizations willing to use the facility. Of the 145 file cabinets available, only 34 are being used.

The Organization Office was one of the major priorities of the space utilization committee that met last year to allocate space once used by the bookstore.

The purpose of the office space is to provide UNO organizations with a safe, centrally located area in which to keep their records. The Organization Office shares the large, glass-enclosed room behind the TV-Lounge area in

the student center with UNO's Housing Program. It began operating last March.

The office area is open between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. during the summer. However, when the Fall semester begins the office will remain open as long as the student center is open.

Any organization wishing to utilize the file cabinets or conference rooms should speak with Mrs. Brown of the student activities office whose desk is in the Organization Office area.

Another student service to begin operation sometime during the Fall will be a music listening room. The room will be located in the northeast corner of the student center, next to the Organization Office.

According to Rick David of the Student activities office, the room will have the necessary equipment for students to listen to or tape music. The room will contain bean bag chairs for student comfort.

David said there is also possibilities of a loaning library for students to borrow records and tapes to use in the listening room.

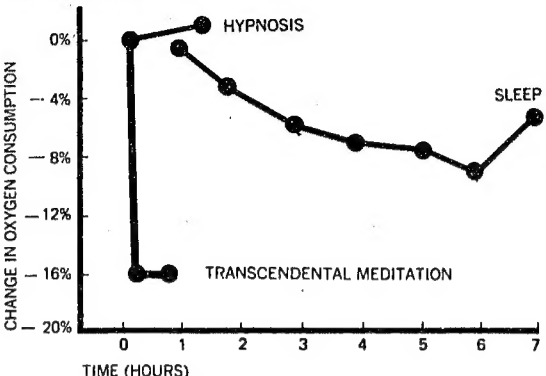
New Depth With TM

"It was late one evening and I just happened to pick up an old copy of *Time* magazine and saw an article about transcendental meditation."

That's how Gary Bodnar, a 20-year old junior majoring in broadcast journalism, described his discovery of transcendental meditation (TM). "Something about that moment made me think that this was definitely worth looking into."

A few months later he noticed posters on campus about lectures on TM and went to learn more about it. He attended two lectures and later had a personal interview with a TM instructor. That week he plunked down his \$45 for the course fee.

"It's the best thing I ever spent my money on," he maintains.



LEVELS OF REST, change in metabolic rate. During transcendental meditation oxygen consumption and metabolic rate markedly decrease indicating a deep state of rest.

Some have criticized the fact that the course requires money; feeling that it is a money-making scheme for the main proponent of TM, Maharishi Mahesh Yogi. The Students International Meditation Society (SIMS), founded by the Maharishi, is a non-profit organization formed to teach the technique. Gary explains that the fee is used to keep teaching the courses, to print literature, and develop other educational material about TM.

The training consists of private meetings with a teacher where the student is assigned a mantra, or meaningless sound. SIMS describes the mantra as "the vehicle that allows meditation to take place." Each individual has a different mantra. Meditators claim that the process is completely natural and involves no effort.

Meditators are instructed not to discuss their mantras with anyone else. During lessons, participants practice meditation and meet in groups to discuss their experiences and ask questions. They then continue a twice-daily routine of meditating for 15 or 20 minutes on their own.

"I learned a great deal my first week. In fact, I was so enthusiastic that I began telling everyone I knew about it . . . friends, teachers, everyone. Now I think I may have alienated a few people. Some thought I wasn't serious, some I just turned

off," Gary remembers. "Now I am a little more selective about who I try to turn on to meditation."

Gary explained his zeal for TM by noticing the changes it had brought about in his life. He said he used to be constantly annoyed with minor things, get excited about tests, and never stopped to take time to think. "Now I've mellowed out," he says. "I feel more comfortable with people, I've gained what I think is a good perspective on life, and I find that living is more enjoyable."

"A good perspective on life," scoffed one co-ed during the discussion with Gary. "I'm supposed to graduate, but I don't really give a damn whether I do or not. Even if I did I know I'd have to work and that sounds like a drag. I refuse to get up early and wear a dress to some dull, low-paying job. So I suppose TM can take care of all that!"

Gary explained that through meditation he stopped worrying about what he was going to do next and lived his life day-by-day. "I found that when the thing I was so worried about came up I was able to deal with it efficiently and without much of a problem."

Another result Gary reported was that his blood pressure dropped from 130/80 to 110/60 within a year. "It gives a deep sense of relaxation and rest. When you have finished meditation you feel full of energy," he says.

Recently, two Harvard researchers found TM to be a weapon with which to fight drug abuse. The two, medical professor Herbert Benson and physiologist R. Keith Wallace, found that the longer a person practices meditation, the less he has to do with almost any type of drug, whether it be marijuana, speed, downers, heroin, or even liquor and cigarettes.

While researching the physiological effects of TM, Benson and Wallace became aware of an apparent drop in drug use. After 21 months of meditation practice, it was found that amphetamine users declined from 30 per cent to one per cent. LSD users decreased from 48 per cent to three per cent, and cigarette smokers decreased from 48 per cent to 16 per cent.

The reports of their study were sent to the Select Committee on Crime of the U.S. House of Representatives. Benson noted that meditation might be acceptable to drug users as an alternative that might fulfill some of the basic reasons behind student drug use.

The physiological studies showed that there were pronounced body changes during TM: decreased heart rate and consumption of oxygen, increased skin resistance, and a predominance of slow alpha-wave activity. The changes were different from those that come with dreams, sleep, hypnosis, auto-suggestion, or just sitting quietly.

As for Gary, he observes that "getting stoned is no longer so attractive. I've even found I like being who I am a lot better now."

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campus news and comment — by lola

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One More Time
The daycare center featured in a *Gateway* article several weeks ago is located at the First Central Congregational Church, 421 So. 36th St., phone 345-1533.

Hollywood!
Bellissimo! SPO will sponsor *Session with the Committee* in the Student Centre Chez' Cafe' (the coffeehouse) at noon Wednesday.

Red Alert by Catalina Himenez
A total of 102 peoples have alreddie bin reeserved, what de go to USSR December 26-January 4. U kan dew eat to if wat, you sine up and pay the relly good by Assention Day on the Roman Calendar.

Give, Please
The Physics Department is in need of a refrigerator, the only requirement being that it freeze ice. Anyone wishing to donate one, please contact Robert Graham or the physics secretary at 2511.

Fear No More
The YWCA is sponsoring a class, "Self-Defense for Women" this fall. The class is scheduled to be held at Kim's Karate School and will be taught by Mr. Kim. Those interested in joining should write or call the YWCA, 2016 Cass and request a registration form. The fee is \$15.

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Who Says It's An Urban University?

By Greg Blodig

Land for an urban university can be one of its most important assets. It is an especially important topic for the University of Nebraska at Omaha which plans to expand and develop its present holdings of over 200 acres. That's right, two-hundred acres! What few people know or realize is that UNO not only possesses some 60 acres at its Dodge Street campus but that it is also the owner of an additional 140 acres outside of Omaha, known as Alwine Preserve.

UNO obtained this land in 1959 from the late Arthur Alwine (who also donated funds for the university's new science building). It was the desire of Mr. Alwine to have the farmland developed into a natural wildlife sanctuary once its remaining tenants left. These tenants left in 1969 and during the following spring work was started to turn the farmland into a natural prairie. This responsibility was assumed by the Biology Department, who with the help of the Soil Conservation Service, planted the land with 8 different species of prairie grass and stocked its lakes with fish. A caretaker still remains at the preserve to maintain the buildings and control unwanted weeds.

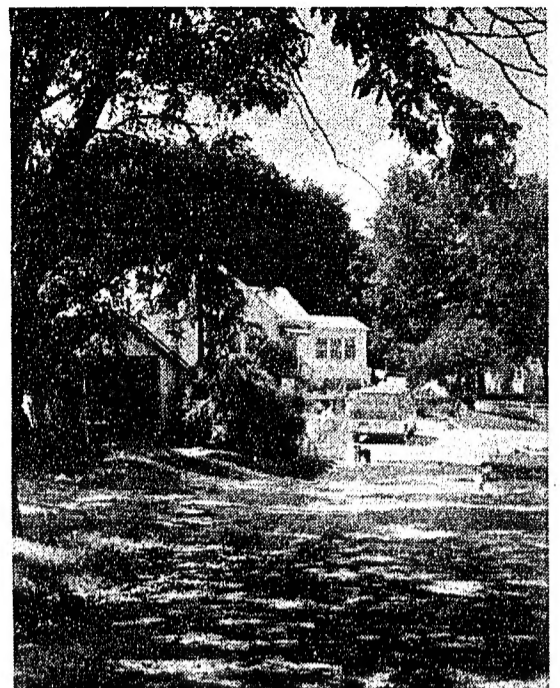
Today, Alwine Preserve is used by the Biology Department to carry out research activities and experimental projects. Ecology and Botany classes also conduct field trips to the preserve throughout the year.

Corrective Measures to be Taken Soon

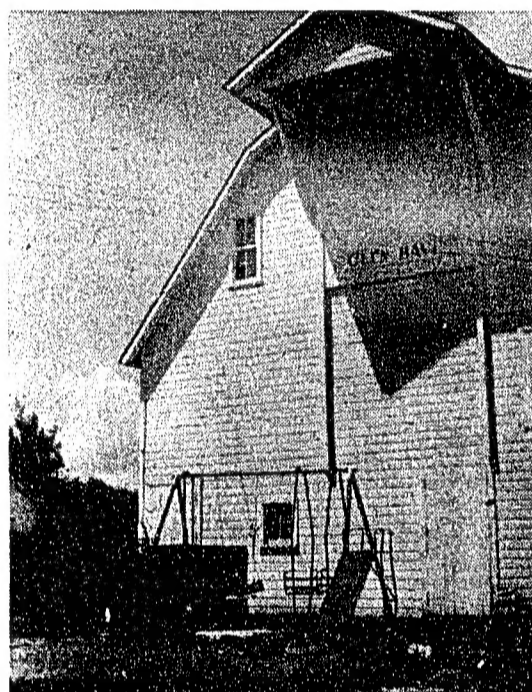
According to Dr. Richard Stasiak, the preserve is inhabited by many small land animals and by a variety of birds, including quail and pheasants. "The stock of fish in the lakes has deteriorated as a result of plant growth, but hopefully corrective measures will be undertaken soon."

Dr. Stasiak is the new chairman of the Committee on the Maintenance and Development of Alwine Preserve. The committee is composed of faculty members in the Biology Department and several students. In addition to its regular duties of maintaining the natural prairieland, the committee is concerned with its developmental projects. Future plans include more focus on the preserve's water bodies. It is their hope to establish a marsh area, a small pond, and a full-sized lake in order that the plants and animals of all three habitats could be studied. They also believe it desirable to set up permanent laboratory equipment at the preserve so that observations and experiments could be expanded. Dr. Stasiak stated however that their primary goal is to maintain the property as a wildlife preserve, and projects will not be undertaken on the land which could disturb its ecology.

Dr. Stasiak explained that the land has not been utilized in the past as much as he would like to see it used. As chairman of the Alwine Committee he would like to expand its potential. He said that the Biology Department neither encourages nor discourages visitations to the property. In order that the refuge be maintained in its natural condition visiting groups must be controlled. However, special interest groups who are concerned with this type of study are always welcome.



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86 Gridders At Fall Drills

University of Nebraska at Omaha football coach Al Caniglia has "invited" approximately 86 players to participate in the fall practice commencing on August 13.

Caniglia stated that any player who visits with the coaching staff between now and the start of practice will be given a chance to report. But the days of walk-ons are over.

The recent appearance of veteran fullback Wayne Mattas kept Caniglia from shutting the door on prospects.

Mattas, who dropped out of UNO to join the Army, stands 6'0" and weighs 200 pounds. He was discharged as a first lieutenant last spring. He visited with Caniglia and asked for a chance to return to the Mavericks.

Candidates will check out equipment August 13-14 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Physical examinations will be given August 15 from 9-11 a.m. Two-a-day workouts without pads will be held August 16-18.

Players again will be bused to AKSARBEN for practice until early October. It is hoped that the artificial turf will be installed by then.

"We won't get to play on it (artificial turf) until our last game, but that isn't important," Caniglia said. "The athletes will see the work going on, and that should be a big psychological boost."

Caniglia is anticipating a squad that could be three deep at every position. "We got more good football players out of the Metro Conference than ever before. We feel that we recruited wisely, but only time will tell whether we reached our three-deep goal."

The Mavericks open their season on September 8 at Rosenblatt stadium against Jackson State.



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Yelkin Aims at 1975 CWS Bid

UNO Baseball Coach Virgil Yelkin makes no secret of his hopes of getting a College World Series berth in 1975. In an attempt to realize that goal Yelkin has signed five prospects in the Omaha area in the last month. He also has commitments from two transfers to play ball next spring.

To date, Yelkin has signed twelve recruits for next year. It has been said that Yelkin may have the best collection of freshmen talent ever at UNO. That may be known after fall evaluations September 8 to October 15.

The newest Maverick recruits include four pitchers, bringing a total of six pitchers that have been recruited this year.

Perhaps the best pitcher recruited in the last month is Wally Knight, son of a UNO bootstrapper. Wally played most of his ball as a youngster over in Germany. He had a very disappointing spring season at Northwest, as he failed to win a game.

When the Legion season got underway the southpaw had an amazing reversal. Under coach Bill Olson, Knight had posted an 8-1 record for Millers at the time he signed with UNO. He had pitched for 63 innings, giving up only one earned run. He had struck out 103 and walked 35 in Legion ball.

The three other pitchers signed recently include Jim Auck of Burke high school, Jerry Richardson of Benson,

and Gary Shives of Papillion high.

Benson third baseman Scott Sinclair also has signed to play at UNO. He is the fifth infielder recruited by Yelkin. The Mavericks had also recruited a catcher, Bruce Benedict of Millard in June. UNO has not recruited any outfielders.

Gary Hautzinger, a Burke grad of last year, may help out in that area. Hautzinger is an outfielder with Johns in the All-American league. Yelkin was turned down by Hautzinger last year when he tried to recruit him, instead Gary enrolled at Northern Colorado. Gary is expected to enroll at UNO and should be eligible to play in the spring.

Steve Hultquist, a former Westside infielder also should become eligible in the spring. Steve attended Nebraska-Lincoln last Fall, but moved to UNO for the spring semester. Hultquist will not be able to participate in the fall program for fear of jeopardizing his eligibility. Hultquist played Legion ball this summer with Dominicos.

Yelkin and Assistant Coach Ron Kelley are not through with recruiting yet. The coaches will continue to scout players during the Nebraska and Iowa Legion tournaments.

The other recruits which had been signed earlier include Gross pitchers Jim Kantor and Joe Stanek who led Gross to a

class B championship. Infielders signed include, Ryan first baseman Jim Benes, shortstop Denny Bendiger of Ralston, and Al Wees and Joe Armetta of class A champion South high.

Yelkin stated of his talent: "With 12 letterman we appear to have quality as well as quantity. Our goal is to have a College World Series contender by 1975."

Yelkin already has begun to upgrade the UNO schedule and gain University standing with the National Collegiate Athletic Association. Iowa State will be on UNO's schedule for two games next spring. In an interview earlier this month with the Gateway, Yelkin said he hoped to play Creighton again this year. Creighton was a contender for a CWS berth last spring and lost only two seniors.

Regarding fall practice which will be new at UNO this year, Yelkin said "I am hopeful we'll have lots of walk-ons, I've missed on players in the past and will probably miss players in the future."

There exists no possibility that UNO will be a youthful surprise team for playoff consideration next year. UNO will serve a year of probation in the NCAA levied in 1962, which caused their withdrawal from the NCAA at that time.

UNO Athletics Shows Deficit Future Prospects Rated Good

The University of Nebraska at Omaha Athletic Programs operated at a deficit of \$55,128.78 during the 1972-73 season. That figure is based on the difference between income of \$96,583.31 and expenses of \$151,712.09.

But there's no pessimism on the UNO campus as prospects for the future are promising.

Clyde Biggers, UNO's Athletic Director, feels that the Maverick Athletic Program is in sound shape. He is guiding a reconstruction program which includes the new football field with lights and a vigorous booster organization in the Maverick Club.

"It's going to take us four or

five years to get there," Biggers said concerning the entire program.

Eventually, it is hoped to bring in \$100,000 a year through the Maverick club, which has found industrial, business, and individual support, and "we think we can certainly supplement our gate considerably with night football," Biggers believes.

The Maverick Club went "way beyond our expectations" the first year, Biggers disclosed.

Student fees will continue to be part of the income. During 1972-73 they combined with Maverick subscriptions to total \$78,250, the major item of income.

No. 2 Heavyweight Will Be Mat Aide

Jim Hagen, Oregon State University heavyweight wrestling star, has been named assistant wrestling coach at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Hagen appeared at the UNO fieldhouse last season and pinned Tony Eller of the Mavericks in one minute and 27 seconds. He was second to champion Chris Taylor of Iowa State in the NCAA tourney.

The hiring of Hagen was a result of coach Mike Palmisano's friendliness with opposition coaches and wrestlers.

"I knew Hagen was one of the few Oregon State seniors and we had a long visit about this. He said he wanted to go into physical therapy, I said it was a great field and that our affiliation with the School of Medicine was a great tie up." Mike expalined.

Hagen, who will work primarily with the heavier wrestlers will replace Bill Danenhauer, a defensive coordinator with the football squad, who has been released from wrestling.

Hagen had a 91-17-3 career record at Oregon State. He graduated with a major in science.

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